

DATE: Monday 8th March 2021
TIME: 7.00pm
LOCATION: "Zoom" virtual meeting
PRESENT: Cllrs Andrew Hallett (Chair), Mike Barningham, Kayleigh Catford, Amanda Coates, John Howe, Pam Macklewain-Hallett, Christine Mollard, John Noone, Malcolm Young
STAFF: Nick Reed (Clerk), Judith Cockburn (Assistant Clerk, minutes)
IN ATTENDANCE: NYCC Cllrs John Weighell and Carl Les, two members of the public (MoP)

136.2021	Declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation: There were none.
137.2021	Apologies and consideration of reasons for absence: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Ingram.
138.2021	Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 8 th February 2021: The Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, and they were signed as such by the Chair.
139.2021	Updates from minutes: (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)
139.1	Calvert Way play area – to note progress towards the transfer of ownership to the Council: The Clerk reported that the transfer of ownership should be completed shortly.
139.2	Southfields Park furniture – to the progress of delivery, installation, and renovation of various pieces of street furniture at Southfields: The Council noted that the picnic bench had been delivered and should be installed shortly. The two benches due for renovation should be re-installed by the end of March.
139.3	Grit bins – To confirm the purchase, for installation in September, of two grit bins, one for Brookside Close and one for the top (South) end of Queen Anne’s Drive, at a cost of £100 +VAT for the pair, plus £75 +VAT each for re-filling once a year: The Council RESOLVED to purchase two grit bins from NYCC and to engage them to fill the bins annually.
140.2021	Reports of recent activity:
140.1	Reports from external body meetings attended by Town Councillors: Cllr Mollard had attended a Yorkshire Local Councils Associations Joint Executive Board meeting, with a presentation on community emergency planning. The

<p>140.2</p>	<p>presenters are willing to run a similar session with the Bedale TC Emergency Planning Working Group</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ACTION: <i>Cllr Mollard to share relevant details with the Clerk</i></p> <p>Reports from District/ County Councillors:</p> <p>Hambleton DC Cllr Noone reported that the District Council is to hold a tourism forum in March, with details available on the HDC website. He also reported that HDC are introducing electric refuse collection wagons.</p> <p>Hambleton DC Cllr Barningham added that the District Council' has been awarded £4.7 million from the Government to de-carbonise its four leisure centres, with work to be completed by Summer 2021.</p>
<p>141.2021</p>	<p>Financial statement and approvals for payment:</p> <p>The Council noted the financial statement as circulated and RESOLVED to approve the following payments:</p> <p>Staff Salaries; E&P Electrics (Xmas lights) £4,595.95; Coxon Bros (Southfields pumping) £3,259.20; YLCA (annual conference x 3 delegates) £120; A Hallett (Mayor's expenses) £67.70; M Leathem (Covid helpline) £59.50; ALCC (Clerk membership) £40; House & Home (sundries re Bridge St toilets) £16.44; Yorwaste (Bedale Park bin collection) £15.96.</p> <p>The receipts were noted of £157.10 in market rents and £170.80 in toilet admission charges.</p> <p>The Council's cash book balance after these transactions was NOTED as being £124,083.97.</p>
<p>142.2021</p>	<p>Planning applications and decisions – to consider planning applications including:</p> <p>Planning Applications received:</p> <p>21/00241/LBC and 21/00242/FUL—for replacement door and window frames and other works at the Co-operative Group, 14 Market Place;</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Council RESOLVED to support the applications</i></p> <p>21/00284/ADV – for new signage at the same site</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Council RESOLVED to support the application</i></p> <p>21/00335/CAT – for the removal of two trees within a conservation area suffering from Ash Dieback, at The Rectory, North End</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Council RESOLVED to support the application</i></p> <p>The Council NOTED the following decisions from Hambleton DC:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">21/00123/FUL – <i>alterations to fenestration of existing sunroom and replacement of existing garage and garden buildings Sussex House 12 Sussex Street was granted.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">20/02914/OUT – <i>outline application for construction of agricultural workers dwelling at Bridge Grange Farm was granted.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">20/02555/FUL – <i>proposed French doors and top light to replace existing timber full height window at The Millings, North End was granted.</i></p>

<p>143.2021</p>	<p>2021 Car Boot Sales – to consider a timetable for when car boot sales may be able to resume, subject to Government guidelines: After discussion, the Council RESOLVED that the situation would be reviewed again in April, noting that under current guidance the earliest an event of this nature could re-start would be 17th May.</p>
<p>144.2021</p>	<p>Cycle path from Bedale Park to BASA – to consider whether to give Town Council support to the possibility of creating a cycle path between Bedale Park and the Sports Association site on Crakehall Road, enabling BASA members and particularly children to be able to cycle there safely, particularly while crossing the A684. (NYCC will not consider the request without Town Council support): The Council RESOLVED that it supports the proposal in principle. <i>ACTION – Clerk to inform NYCC Highways</i></p>
<p>145.2021</p>	<p>Tree request – to consider a request from a parishioner for the planting of a new tree in Bedale Park (email request circulated): The Council RESOLVED that it supports the request in principle, subject to agreeing the species and position of the tree. <i>ACTION – Clerk to liaise with parishioner ahead of April’s meeting.</i></p>
<p>146.2021</p>	<p>Memorial bench – to consider a request from parishioners to install a memorial bench to Diane Close next to Bedale Beck path opposite the Leech House: The Council RESOLVED to approve this request.</p>
<p>147.2021</p>	<p>Flooding at Southfields – to consider the implications of the recent flooding at Southfields, and how best to co-ordinate remediation action, and in particular to consider funding an investigation of the drainage run under Stapleton Close, which Civil Engineers have identified as a possible problem: The Council noted that Coxon Bros had suggested an investigation into the blockage by a recommended local specialist and at a cost of approximately £1,200. The results of the survey would inform further action either by the Town Council or, more likely, other stakeholders. The Council RESOLVED to approve the expenditure of £1,200 to carry out the survey. <i>ACTION: Clerk to progress</i></p>
<p>148.2021</p>	<p>Earthworks – further to the above, to discuss whether the Town Council might consider installing a low earth bank against the walls to the east of the Southfields public open space, to mitigate against the effects of any further flooding to residents in those houses: The Council discussed this issue briefly, but absent a proposal and costing were unable to make a decision on the matter. <i>ACTION – This to be on April’s agenda if further information is available</i></p>

<p>149.2021</p>	<p>Music Festival – to consider a request to hold a music festival in Bedale Park on August Bank Holiday weekend, which would require the cancellation of the Saturday 28th August Car Boot Sale: The Council RESOLVED to support this proposal, with the fee paid by the festival organisers be earmarked for the 2021 bonfire and fireworks.</p>
<p>150.2021</p>	<p>Annual Parish Meeting – to consider potential dates for the Annual Parish Meeting, which would usually take place on Tuesday 4th May, and potential agenda items and award recipients: The Council RESOLVED to keep the award recipients as 2020 and to hold the meeting in early July, subject to post-Covid reopening guidelines.</p>
<p>151.2021</p>	<p>Correspondence – (background papers provided – see Appendix A)</p>

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:22pm.

SIGNED: (Chair)

DATE:

Appendix A

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED 5th February – 3rd March 2021.

(which is not addressed in the substance of the agenda)

1. From: **MoP x many** Date **various**
Comments about Southfields flooding
2. From: **MoP** Date **10/02/2021**
Complaint about noise relating to the pumping out of Southfields floodwater.
3. From: **Hambleton DC Communities** Date **11/02/2021**
Agreeing to roll the MAD grant for the illuminated address parade forward to 2022-23, subject to various reassurances.
4. From: **NYCC Trading Standards** Date **11/02/2021**
Information about activity permitted on outdoor markets during lockdown.
5. From: **MoP** Date **11/02/2021**
Information about overweight vehicles still using Wycar / The Wynd [*referred on to NYCC Highways and the company identified.*]
6. From: **Leyburn Town Council** Date **16/02/2021**
Request for information about Christmas lights
7. From: **Bedale Minibus** Date **18/02/2021**
Call for volunteers.
8. From: **MoP** Date **19/02/2021**
Request for information about car boot sales in 2021
9. From: **NYCC Highways Asset Management** Date **22/02/2021**
Confirmation of £588.05 grant towards urban grass cutting in 2021-22
10. From: **Incy Wincys Nursery** Date **23/02/2021**
Information regarding potential rodent issues in the Bedale Park Eurobin compound
11. From: **MoP x2** Date **23/02/2021**
Complaint about inappropriately erected barbed wire between Bedale Park and the Bedale Golf Club car park
12. From: **Hambleton DC Electoral Registration** Date **24/02/2021**
Notice that the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Election will go ahead on Thursday 6th May but that the NYCC elections have been postponed for a year due to the imminent reorganisation of North Yorkshire local government.
13. From: **MoP** Date **25/02/2021**
Information about a fallen tree and general tree debris in Bedale Beck downstream of the water treatment works.

14. From: **Carlton-in-Coverdale PC** Date **01/03/2021**
Query about the layby closures on the A684 at Sinks Lane
15. From: **Citizens Advice Mid-North Yorkshire** Date **02/03/2021**
Newsletter
16. From: **Bedale Allotment Society** Date **04/03/2021**
Confirmation that they now own the allotment site, and thanks to the Town Council for help and support through the process.